



**GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION**

March 7, 2013

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Elliot Lahn, Candidate  
for State Representative  
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Olathe KS 66061

HAND DELIVERY

**Re: \$300.00 civil penalty assessment order dated February 15, 2012  
\$300.00 civil penalty assessment order dated September 20, 2012  
\$140.00 civil penalty assessment order dated January 16, 2013**

Dear Mr. Lahn:

**This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. This is the third, or subsequent, and final attempt to collect civil penalties prior to other formal efforts are sought as indicated below.**

February 15, 2012 civil penalty assessment order (\$300 civil penalty)

This civil penalty was assessed by the Kansas Governmental Ethics Commission (commission) for failure to timely file an amended October 25, 2010 Receipts and Expenditures Report. Previous attempts to collect this civil penalty subsequent to the initial assessment include:

1. On February 16, 2012 a demand for payment letter and the civil penalty order were mailed as certified mail, return receipt requested, from the executive director for the commission. Records of the commission indicate that the order and letter were returned unclaimed.
2. On July 24, 2012 the demand for payment letter and the civil penalty order were mailed to you first class postage prepaid by general counsel for the commission. This letter was not returned to the commission..

September 20, 2012 civil penalty assessment order (\$300 civil penalty)

This civil penalty was assessed by the Kansas Governmental Ethics Commission (commission) for failure to file a July 30, 2012 Receipts and Expenditures Report timely. Previous attempts to collect this civil penalty subsequent to the initial assessment include:

1. On September 20, 2012 a demand for payment letter and the civil penalty order were mailed as certified mail, return receipt requested, from general counsel for the commission. The order and letter were returned as unclaimed.
2. On November 5, 2012 the civil penalty order and letter were resent to you. A certified mail signed return receipt indicates that accepted delivery on November 7, 2012.
3. On December 3, 2012 a demand for payment letter was mailed to you from general counsel for the commission.
4. On December 18, 2012, a demand for payment letter was mailed to you from the commission's executive director.

January 16, 2012 civil penalty assessment order (\$140 civil penalty)

This civil penalty was assessed by the (commission) for the late filing of the October 29, 2012 Receipts and Expenditures Report. Previous attempts to collect this civil penalty subsequent to the initial assessment include:

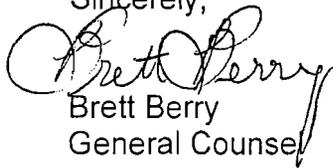
1. On January 17, 2013 a demand for payment letter and the civil penalty order were mailed to you from the commission's executive director. The letter was returned to the commission as unable to forward .
2. On February 21, 2013, the demand for payment letter and the civil penalty order were mailed to you first class from the commission's executive director. This mailing was not returned

To date, the Commission has not received payment for either assessed civil penalty from you.

Please be advised that the Commission takes failure to pay assessed civil penalties quite seriously. In the absence of payment **in full by March 31, 2013**, the Commission intends to exercise any legal remedies available - including the State of Kansas Debt Setoff program or seeking a civil judgment, garnishment or a lien against real estate. If the Commission refers your debt to this program, the Kansas Department of Revenue will divert \$440 to the Commission from any State of Kansas refund due you for tax year 2012 and subsequent years. Additionally, if you fail to pay the civil penalty by that date, your name will be posted prominently on the Commission's website for failure to meet this financial responsibility

In the alternative, you may send a check or money order in the total amount of **\$740.00** made payable to the Governmental Ethics Commission by **March 31, 2012**

Sincerely,

  
Brett Berry  
General Counsel

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